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In response to the April 24, 2002 Office Action in the above-identified case, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

The Examiner rejected claims 168-170, 174, 184-185, 199-200, 202-204, 206-207, 216-217, and 232-234 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Swartz et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,095,418 (hereinafter referred to as "Swartz") or under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) in view of Kunihiro Japanese Patent No. 407108786A (hereinafter referred to as "Kunihiro"). Additionally, the Examiner rejected claims 171-173, 175-183, 186-198, 201, 205, 208-215, 218-231, and 235-245 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over

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